



# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/716,273	11/21/2000	Hubert Helaine	Q61623	8432
23373	7590	12/09/2008	EXAMINER	
SUGHRUE MION, PLLC 2100 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W. SUITE 800 WASHINGTON, DC 20037			IQBAL, KHAWAR	
ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER			
			2617	
MAIL DATE	DELIVERY MODE			
12/09/2008			PAPER	

**Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.**

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

<b>Advisory Action</b> <b>Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief</b>		Application No. 09/716,273	Applicant(s) HELAINE ET AL.
		Examiner KHAWAR IQBAL	Art Unit 2617
<p><b>–The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address –</b></p> <p>THE REPLY FILED <u>06</u> November 2008 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.</p> <p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on the same day as filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:</p> <p>a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The period for reply expires <u>3</u> months from the mailing date of the final rejection.</p> <p>b) <input type="checkbox"/> The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.</p> <p>Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).</p> <p>Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).</p> <p><b>NOTICE OF APPEAL</b></p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> The Notice of Appeal was filed on _____. A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a).</p> <p><b>AMENDMENTS</b></p> <p>3. <input type="checkbox"/> The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will <u>not</u> be entered because</p> <p>(a) <input type="checkbox"/> They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);</p> <p>(b) <input type="checkbox"/> They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below);</p> <p>(c) <input type="checkbox"/> They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or</p> <p>(d) <input type="checkbox"/> They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.</p> <p>NOTE: _____. (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).</p> <p>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324).</p> <p>5. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _____. </p> <p>6. <input type="checkbox"/> Newly proposed or amended claim(s) _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).</p> <p>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) <input type="checkbox"/> will not be entered, or b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.</p> <p>The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:</p> <p>Claim(s) allowed: _____.    Claim(s) objected to: _____.    Claim(s) rejected: <u>1-21, 23-28 and 20-32</u>.    Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: _____. </p> <p><b>AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE</b></p> <p>8. <input type="checkbox"/> The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but before or on the date of filing a Notice of Appeal will <u>not</u> be entered because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).</p> <p>9. <input type="checkbox"/> The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will <u>not</u> be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome <u>all</u> rejections under appeal and/or appellant failed to provide a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).</p> <p>10. <input type="checkbox"/> The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.</p> <p><b>REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER</b></p> <p>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:  <u>See Continuation Sheet</u>.</p> <p>12. <input type="checkbox"/> Note the attached <i>Information Disclosure Statement(s)</i>. (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s). _____. </p> <p>13. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____. </p> <p>/George Eng/    Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 2617</p>			

Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: Regarding claim 1, the Applicant argues in pages 11 -14 that "There is no teaching or suggestion that the subscriber information of Cassidy, which the Examiner asserts teaches the claimed protected primary provisioning data, is information establishing a connection to the data network in a home access network, as claimed". Examiner respectfully disagrees with this argument for the following reasons: Cassidy teaches that in Figs. 1, 2a, Subscriber data [i.e. provisioning data] is stored in the SIM card 10 (see col. 4, lines 25-57, col. 5, lines 15-28) and used to enable communication in an appropriate network (see col. 4, lines 52-55). Cassidy does not teach wherein the protected primary provisioning data is information establishing a connection to the data network in a home access network. However, Karlsson teaches that mobile station 150 (fig. 1) registers [i.e. use provisioning data] its presence with the mobile radio network 100 (fig. 2, step 290). And in response, the PMSC 210 updates the local database 211 (step 295, fig. 2). The computing device 140 (with mobile station 150 see fig. 1) sends data to a remote host 130 (step 300, FIG. 1) and the data is relayed through the VMS 180 to the PMSC 210 (step 305, FIG. 2). The PMSC 210 receives the identity of the mobile station 150 included with a mobile station International Mobile Station Identity (IMSI) number ( used for roaming) and protected primary provisioning data [IP address associated with the mobile station 150 and the digital terminal equipment 140], also IP address of the remote host 130. The PMSC 210 accesses the home access network or visiting access network [i.e. 220, 211] to determine the access privileges of the mobile station 150 to access the data network via Internet 110 [i.e., remote host 130]. The database in the HLR 220 and the local database 211 contain a list of allowed remote hosts 130 associated with the mobile station 150 (see fig. 1-3 and detail). Regarding claims 8 and 32, the Applicant argues in pages 14 -1 5 that Examiner respectfully disagrees with this argument for the following reasons: Karlsson states storing the data pertaining to access privileges in the HLR 220 enables the use of current roaming functions which are well known in the industry. This allows subscribers to roam between different mobile radio networks and with the access privileges data remaining valid (see col. 4, lines 47-51). It is clearly means that Karlsson teaches roaming information establishing a connection to the data network in a visiting access network.

Thus the rejection of the claims in view of Cassidy and Karlsson et al remain.